NOTICES OF CONTRACTS.

[We are compelled by the interference of the Stamp Office to omit the names of the parties to whom tenders, &c., are to be addressed. For the convenience of our readers, however, they are entered in a book, and may be seen on application at the office of "The Builder," 2, York-street, Covent-garden.]

For maintenance of the permanent way between the Derby, Nottingham, and Rugby stations on the Midland Railway.

For building 110 first, second, and third-class carriages; also a number of luggage-vans, carriage-trucks, horse-boxes, and ballast-waggons for the Dublin and Belfast Junction Railway.

For the construction of various stations and buildings on the Hull and Bridlington Railway.

For cast and wrought-iron work in columns, girders, roofs, doors, &c., required for the warehouses about to be built by the Birkenhead Dock Company.

For supplying the Bristol and Birmingham Railway Company with 5,000 sleepers.

For the execution of works on the Dundee and Perth Railway.

For the execution of works for the Harwich and Eastern Counties Junction and Pier Company.

For building the boundary walls of the Coventry Cemetery, in length 1,000 yards, and from 7 to 8 feet high.

For building a mansion and offices at Ealing Hall, Suffolk.

For constructing a bridge across the river Etheron, near Tintwistle, Birkenhead.

For the construction of an iron roof to cover 800 square yards of ground for the Grand Junction Railway Company.

For building a church at Walsden, near Todmorden, Yorkshire.

APPROACHING SALES OF WOOD, &c.

BY AUCTION.

At the Salisbury Arms Inn, Hoddesdon, Herts, 2,647 oak timber trees, of good meetings, and superior quality.

At the Rhodes Arms Inn, Barlbro', Derby, a large quantity of oak, ash, and alder timber trees.

At Garraway's Coffee House, Cornhill, about 200 loads of valuable Moulmein teak, in log and plank; and 78 loads of Adriatic oak.

At Cambridge, 400 larch and Scotch firs; they are large, straight, and of excellent quality.

At Imber, Wiltshire, 2,000 fine larch, Scotch and spruce fir poles, &c.

At Standerwick, near Westbury, 80 prime oak, ash, elm, and other timber trees, &c.

At the Hatchet Inn, Sherfield, near Romsey, 450 excellent oak timber trees.

At the Red Lion, Heytesbury, 62 very superior maiden ash and elm timber trees.

At the Anchor Inn, Eling, near Southampton, 700 excellent oak timber trees.

Near to the Sutton Station, on the Chester and Birkenhead Railway, 400 oak and 300 ash timber trees, of large dimensions, and of excellent quality.

At the Lion Inn, Brewood, Stafford, a very large quantity of oak timber trees, of extraordinary size, and first-rate quality.

At Shustoke, near Coleshill, Warwick, thirteen lots of superior oak, ash, elm, poplar, and other timber trees, of superior quality and large dimensions.

At Lyndhurst, New Forest, Hants, 59 lots of oak and beech ends, by order of the Commissioners of Woods and Forests.

At the George Inn, Selby, several hundred oak, elm, alder, maple, sycamore, and poplar timber trees, of large size and prime quality.

MEETINGS OF SCIENTIFIC BODIES

During the ensuing week.

MONDAY, March 23. — British Architects, 16, Grosvenor-street, 8 P.M.; Geographical, 3, Waterloo-place, 8½ P.M.

TUESDAY, 24. — Civil Engineers, 25, Great George-street, 8 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, 25.—Society of Arts, Adelphi, 8 P.M.; Geological, Somerset House, 8½ P.M.

THURSDAY, 26. — Royal, Somerset House, 8½ P.M.; Antiquaries, Somerset House, 8 P.M.; R. S. Literature, 4, St. Martin's-place, 4 P.M.

FRIDAY, 27. — Royal Institution, Albemarle-street, 8½ P.M.; Philological (London Library), 12, St. James's-square, 8 P.M.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

"A. B."—*The expression, "the front to be compo'd," without any mention of the material to be used, would be understood by a London plasterer as applying to "Roman cement."*

"Archie."—*We are endeavouring to obtain the newspapers alluded to.*

"A Young Man," "Prudent," *will find an answer in the body of the journal.*

"W."—*Next week. Will he say where a proof can be sent, as text is a little obscure.*

"T. A. H." *contains nothing more than has been said already.*

"W. B."—*Mr. J. James, York-road, Lambeth, or Mr. Walker, at York, would execute the gates well. As to the archangel battens, apply to any respectable timber merchant.*

"C. A." *is thanked.*

"A Student."—*There is no such work.*

"C. C."—*The date* (1500) *ascribed by our correspondent C. to the window from Boughton Aluph Church, should have been* 1400. *The mistake was the printer's.*

"Fair Play."—*We shall be glad to receive information as to competition for Ipswich station, and for Poulterers' and Fishmongers' Almshouses.*

"Solder."—*1 lb. of tin to 2 lb. of lead makes a good solder for plumbers.*

"An Architect's Clerk."—*Write to the patentee, Herring, 14, Kingsgate-street, Holborn. The cost is very trifling.*

"Curious."—*The cost of an eight-roomed house depends on circumstances: say* 500*l.*

"Z. Z." *should have given us names and particulars.*

"A Subscriber."—*Designs for the Hospital at Birkenhead must be sent in on or before the 1st of April next with a motto attached, accompanied by a sealed letter containing name and address, and superscribed similarly to the design.*

Received: "A Bridge Builder," "J. R." (Brighton), "W. R.," "J. J.," "T. I. M." "R. H." "Budownik," "On Horizontal Water-wheels, especially Turbines or Whirl-wheels," by Moritz Ruhlman; edited by Sir Robert Kane (Hodges and Smith, Dublin).

ERRATUM.—In the advertisement which appeared in our last number headed "To Builders, Carpenters, and others," the address of Mr. Lewis should have been 17, Ordnance-road, instead of Andover-road, St. John's Wood.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

DRUCE'S No. 2, WHARF, late Paradise-wharf, Chelsea.

TO THE TRADE.—Parties desirous of delivering Timber Deals, Stone, Bricks, or any other goods, in the districts of Chelsea, Brompton, Pulham, Kensington, &c. &c., will find great facilities of Wharfage, Cranage, or Delivery, by applying as above.

N.B.—A weighbridge on the premises.

TO BRICKMAKERS, &c.

THE Subscriber is ready to CONTRACT for the supply of North Country Ashes, suitable for brickmaking, at 3s. per Newcastle chaldron (about 1s. per ton), free on board in the Tyne.—JAMES TURNER, 3, Indian King's-court, Quayside, Newcastle-upon-Tyne.

BRICK MACHINE.

JONES'S PATENT MACHINE is acknowledged by old-experienced workmen to turn out far superior Bricks to what can possibly be done by hand. Expedition and cheapness guaranteed. They are moulded softer, put in the walls at once to dry, and will bear two high a day. So that nearly double the quantity is in process of drying, and consequently less covering required. Contracts for brick-making, by machines, entered into, and licenses granted.—Apply to EDW. JONES, Queen's Wharf, King's-road, Camden Town.

REPEAL OF THE METROPOLITAN BUILDINGS BILL.

AT a Meeting of the Builders of the Parish of Woolwich and its vicinity, held at the Castle Inn, on Monday, March 16th, 1846, Mr. G. HUDSON in the Chair, the following resolutions were passed unanimously:—

1. That this meeting have observed with regret the influence of the Metropolitan Buildings Bill, not only causing depression of trade, the non-employment of artizans, and discouragement in the improvement of house property, but the very serious inroads made upon householders and proprietors generally.

2. That this meeting are aware of facts in which previous and vexatious infringements have been made by district surveyors, which the Legislature never contemplated.

3. That a petition be immediately prepared, praying an immediate and total repeal of the Metropolitan Buildings Bill, and that this Society appoint deputations to wait upon the inhabitants of this town on Wednesday next, for the purpose of obtaining their signatures.

4. That a deputation, to consist of Messrs. Hudson and Jolly, be appointed to wait on the two Members of Parliament for this borough on Friday next, to solicit them to present the petition to the honourable the House of Commons as early as possible.

The Woolwich Builders' Protective Society,
March 16th, 1846.
W. GOULING, Hon. Secretary.

ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS, AND BUILDERS, are respectfully informed, that CHAS. GOODWIN, of 67, Great Guildford-street, Borough, is enabled to supply Plaster, Hair, &c., at the following reduced prices:—Coarse Plaster per ton 2l. 10s., Fine 3l. 10s., Hair 1l. to 10l. cash, at Manufactory. C. G. can also supply Architectural Ornaments of every description in a most superior style.

PATENT WINDOW BLINDS.

TYLOR and PACE manufacture every description of WINDOW BLINDS entirely upon their own premises, by the aid of steam machinery, insuring the best materials and workmanship, at the lowest cost. Patent metallic gauze and perforated Zinc Blinds, in mahogany frames, at 1s. 6d. per square foot; ditto, in metal frames, 1s. 2d. per square foot. A large and choice assortment of Transparencies, mounted, from 19s.; Holland Blinds, on plain or spring rollers. Outside Shades, Venetian and Sun Blinds of every description.—TYLOR and PACE'S Showrooms, 53, Cornhill, entrance St. Peter's-alley.

HERRING'S PATENT WINDOW for hanging the Sashes, whereby they may be instantly disconnected from the Frames, without removing the Beading. It is now being applied in Palaces, Castles, Mansions, first-rate Houses, Villas, &c. It is universally approved and adopted by every Architect that has seen it. Builders in the Country will have a full-sized Window forwarded on receiving an order and reference, and taken back if returned within eight days free. To be seen daily. Licenses and other particulars had of the Patentee, 14, Kingsgate-street, London.

This invention is exceedingly simple, increases the cost but slightly, and appears to answer the purpose well.—BUILDER, 28th February.

A Premium of 5l. will be given to the first fitter-up of a first-rate House with this Patent, and in proportion for second, third, and fourth-rate Houses.—March 28, 1846.

STOP, READ! Answer this Question.—Have you provided against the casualties of Life, Sickness, and Death? If not, haste and enter that flourishing BENEFIT SOCIETY, the UNITED PATRIARCHS. Society House, Round Table Tavern, St. Martin's-court, Leicester-square. Society Office, 19, Tottenham-court, New-road, St. Pancras, London. (Near 400 persons have become members of this society in six months.) Open for a short time to persons in good health up to 45 years of age. Enrolled and empowered by Act of Parliament to extend over the United Kingdom.

The Society is in four divisions for its members to receive according to their payments the following benefits:—

		£ s. d.		£ s. d.
1s. Sickness per week from	...	0 0 6	to	0 15 0
Death of Member	...	10 0 0	to	70 0 0
Death of Wife or nominee	...	5 0 0	to	10 0 0
Loss by Fire	...	5 0 0	to	20 0 0
Superannuation per week	...	0 4 0	to	0 6 0
Contributions per calendar month for Sickness and Management.		0 1 4	to	0 3 7

Meetings at the Society House every Monday evening. Persons can enter at the Society House or at the office any time.

Blank forms and information for the admission of country members can be obtained at any time by applying to the secretary or treasurer. Also information for forming Localities, appointing Agents, Medical Attendants, &c., can be obtained by letter, pre-paid, enclosing postage stamps for return letter, or three postage stamps per form, &c. Direct, Mr. D. W. RUFFY, secretary, London Office, No. 19, Tottenham-court, New-road, St. Pancras.

WALLIS'S PATENT LIQUID WOOD KNOTTING.—This newly-discovered Liquid Composition which Messrs. Geo. and Thos. Wallis have the satisfaction of introducing to the trade, possesses the important qualification of effectually stopping Knots in Wood, however bad, and preventing them oozing through and disfiguring the paint above.

Many substances have been used and much time spent in endeavouring to find a cure for a bad Knot, but hitherto without success. Messrs. Wallis therefore feel much pleasure in offering to the public an article so long and anxiously called for.

In the application, skill is not required; it is put on to the work with a brush like common paint, can be used in all climates and situations, and does not require heat.

Sold wholesale and retail, by Messrs. G. and T. Wallis, Varnish, Japan, and Colour Manufacturers, No. 64, Long Acre. Price 20s. per gallon.

STEPHENS'S LIQUID OAK, MAHOGANY, ROSE, and SATIN WOOD STAINS, for Staining various sorts of Inferior Woods, so as to give them the appearance and character of the more costly and ornamental kinds; also for reviving the natural colour of Wood Carvings and Panellings, and other ornamental Wood Work, when such has become faded from age or other causes.

IN THE BUILDING AND DECORATING NEW CHURCHES, where it is desirable to give to the cheaper kind of Woods the appearance of Antique Oak, or to make Deal assume the character of Oak Panelling, whereby the effect of the more costly may be produced by the use of a cheaper material, these Stains will be found more effective than any means hitherto employed.

IN OLD MANSIONS AND HALLS, where the Wood Carvings and Panellings have faded, the application of these Stains will be found to revive and bring back the rich natural colour, and which colour may be varied from the lighter to the deeper shades of the most Antique Oak.

The BIRCH WOOD, which has a fine natural grain, with little colour, is particularly suited to the application of these Stains; and the appearance which it assumes after Staining is so near that of the natural wood, that in it only when the grain and colour of the latter is particularly fine that it is preferred. Beech, Birch, Elm, Ash, and other Woods, English and Foreign, receive the Stains and produce various imitations.

For the exposed Timbers of the inside of the ROOFS of CHURCHES, for which north country Timbers and Deals are generally used, by brushing them over with the Stain, which operation is very rapidly, and of course economically, effected, the appearance of an Oaken Roof will be produced. For colouring the backs of the Seats, Pews, the fronts of Galleries, the Pulpit, &c., it is equally advantageous.

Prepared by HENRY STEPHENS, and may be obtained at 54, Stamford-street; of Mrs. ROWLAND, Painter and Glazier, 3, Broad-street, Golden-square; at the Office of "THE BUILDER," 2, York-street, Covent-garden, and in Manchester, at Crake's Marble Works, Garratt-bridge. David-street, at which places specimens of their application may be seen.

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